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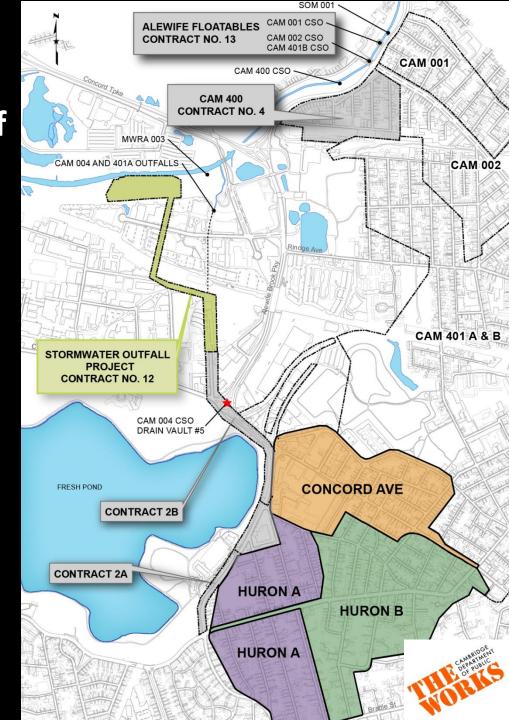
Welcome and Introduction

- **Catherine Woodbury**
- Project Goals and Benefits
- What Is Inflow
- Why Remove Inflow
- Private Property Inflow Removal Owen O'Riordan
  - Why Your Property
  - What to Expect
  - Next Steps
  - Timeline



#### Goals

- Court-ordered clean up of Boston Harbor requires implementation of the Long Term Control Plans for Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) for Alewife Brook
- MWRA's LTCP for Alewife Brook
  - 50 Mg → 7.3 Mg
  - 63 activations → 7 activations



### **Benefits of Sewer Separation**

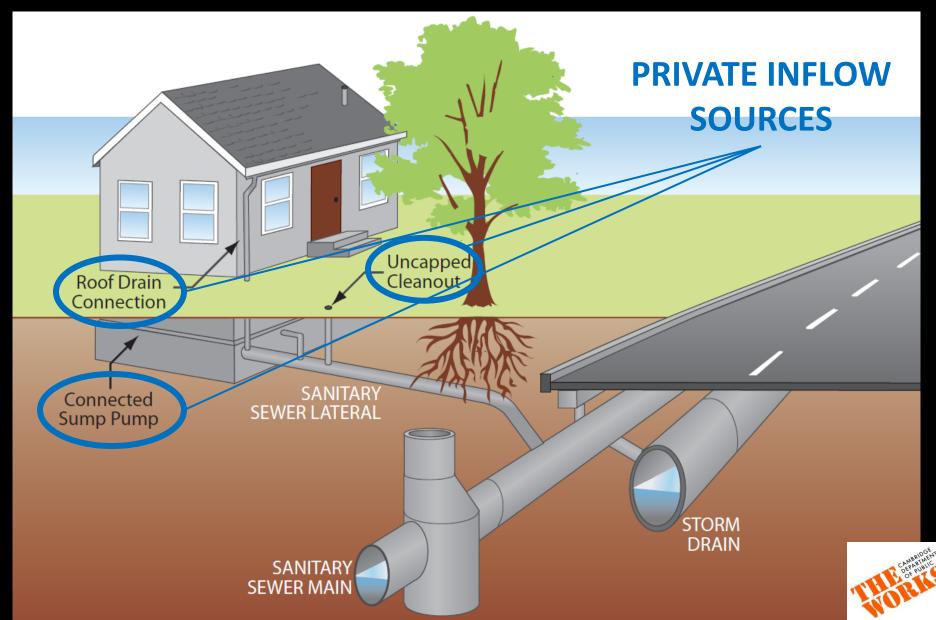
- Improve water quality of Alewife Brook
- Improve sewer and stormwater systems level of service
- Protect Fresh Pond
- Reduced treatment costs
- Opportunity for other renewed/improved neighborhood infrastructure





- Inflow is rain or groundwater that flows into a sanitary sewer system from public or private property.
- Common sources of inflow from private property:
  - "Disappearing" downspouts
  - Internal roof drains
  - Area/driveway drains
  - Sump pumps connected to sewer







Downspout/roof leader going into basement foundation





Downspout/roof leaders disappearing









Sump pump hard-piped to sanitary service



Floor drain



**Driveway Catch Basin** 



### Why Remove Inflow?

- Reduces probability of sewer backups
- Inflow causes increased pollution of Alewife
   Brook
- Reduced cost of sewage treatment for entire community





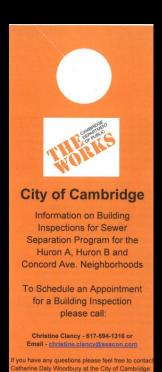
# Private Property Inflow Removal: Why Your Property

- Collected data through
   Field Investigations and
   Building Inspections
- Performed <u>hydraulic</u>
   <u>analysis</u> to determine how much inflow must be removed



Performed a <u>feasibility</u>
 <u>analysis</u> to determine which sources should be targeted





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#### **Building Inspections**

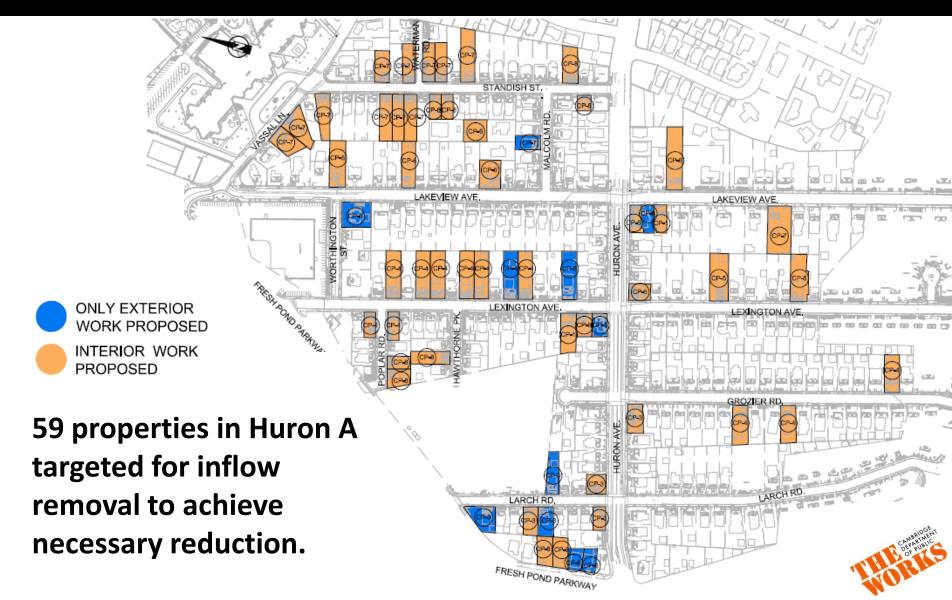
	Huron A	Project-wide
Total Buildings	297	954
<b>Buildings Inspected</b>	258	684
Buildings with Confirmed Inflow Sources	87	231
Buildings Targeted for Feasible Inflow Removal	59	173

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- Developed conceptual design sketches; feasibility assessment
- Developed construction cost estimate

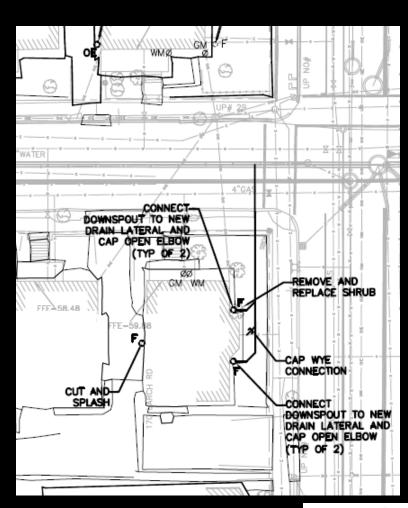


# Private Property Inflow Removal: Huron A Targeted Properties



## What to Expect: How Is Inflow Removed?

- 1. Discharge to surface:
- Cut downspouts and splash onto property and cap open elbows
- 2. If not possible, connect to new storm drain service:
- Reconnect downspouts
- Disconnect/reconnect sump pumps
- Install new drywells with overflow to drain



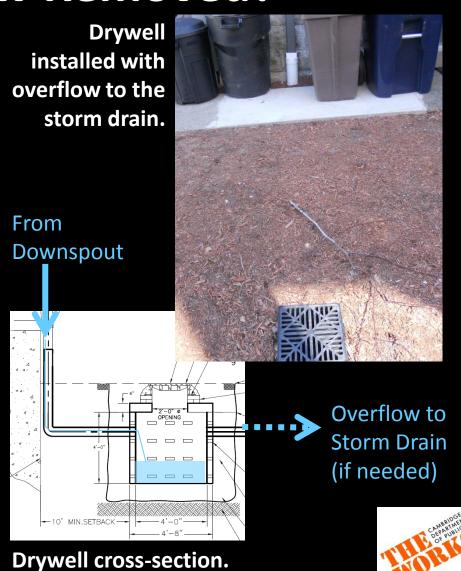


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Downspouts disconnected. Elbow capped.





# What to Expect: How Is Inflow Removed?



<u>Before</u>: Downspout disappeared into foundation; connected to sewer



Sidewalk, driveway

restored.



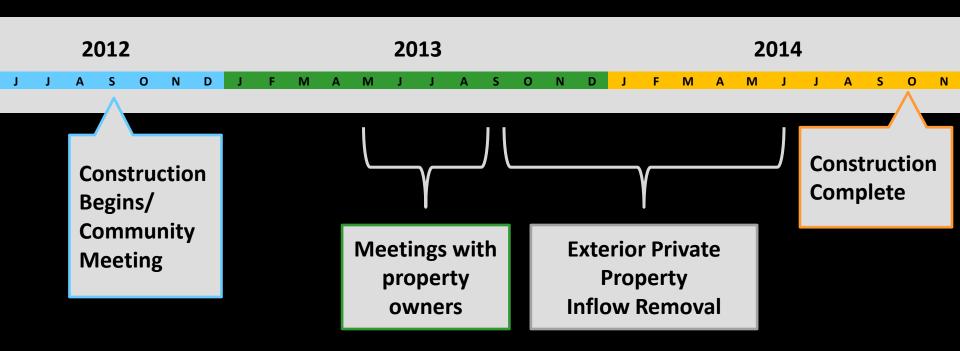
### **Next Steps**

- Individual Information Package by mail
- Pre-construction Community Meeting
- Meet with each property owner at least 6 weeks prior to construction to:
  - Finalize conceptual plan
  - Right of Entry documents
- Inflow removal construction to occur in two phases:
  - > Exterior inflow removal with public construction
  - Interior plumbing future contract (where required)



#### **Construction Timeline: Huron A**

(Anticipated)



Interior construction (where necessary) done under separate contract. Anticipated start Spring 2014.



#### **Contact Information**

- Questions, Comments or Suggestions
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### Questions

